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ACTUAL WAR TALES OF FIGHTING MEN BEHIND ENEMY LINES!

Reducing Specialist Says:

LOSE WEIGHT Where It Shows Most REDUCE MOST ANY PART OF THE BODY WITH

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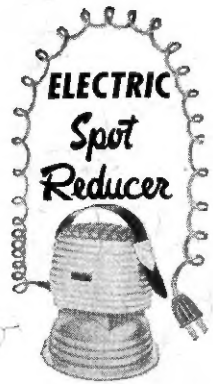
Relaxing · Soothing Penetrating Massage



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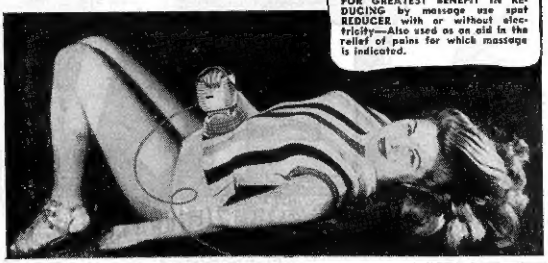

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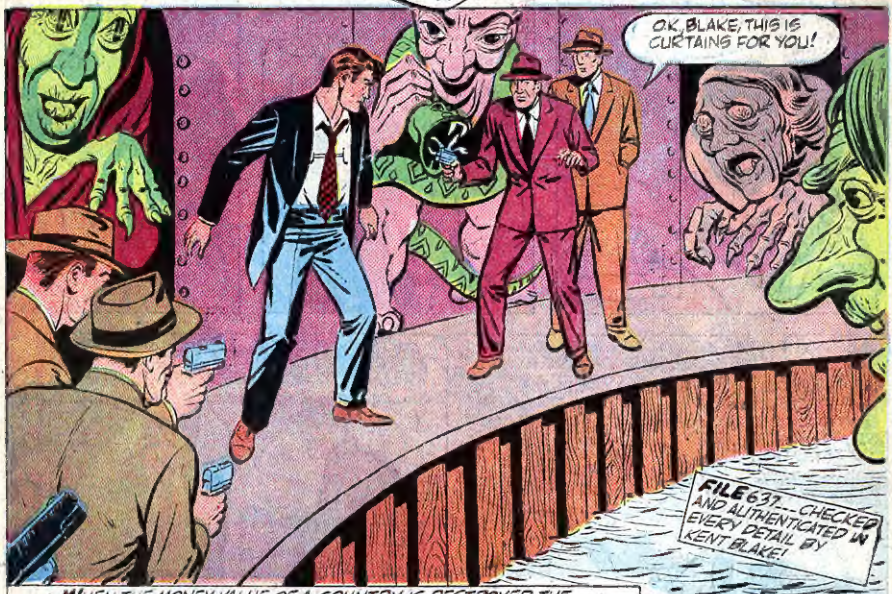

WHEN THE MONEY VALUE OF A COUNTRY IS DESTROYED, THE PANICKED PEOPLE ARE RIPE FOR REVOLT AND TREACHERY! WHEN THE AMERICAN ZONE IN GERMANY WAS FLOODED WITH COUNTERFEIT GERMAN MARKS, CHAOS WAS NOT FAR BEHIND... ANOTHER BRUTAL SCHEME OF THE COMMUNISTS TO SMASH U.S. INFLUENCE IN EUROPE! KENT BLAKE, AMERICA'S TOP SECRET AGENT, TOOK THE TRAIL OF THE COUNTERFEITERS, AND IT LED HIM TO A GAY PLACE OF HORROR, AND A "TUNNEL OF DEATH"!

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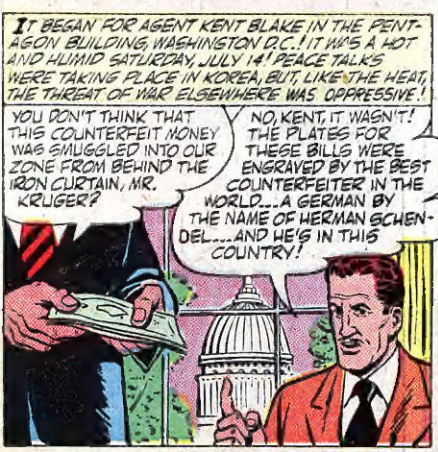
IT BEGAN FOR AGENT KENT BLAKE IN THE PENTAGON BUILDING, WASHINGTON D.C.! IT WAS A HOT AND HUMID SATURDAY, JULY 14! PEACE TALKS WERE TAKING PLACE IN KOREA, BUT, LIKE THE HEAT, THE THREAT OF WAR ELSEWHERE WAS OPPRESSIVE!
YOU DON'T THINK THAT THIS COUNTERFEIT MONEY WAS SMUGGLED INTO OUR ZONE FROM BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN, MR. KRUGER?
NO, KENT, IT WASN'T! THE PLATES FOR THESE BILLS WERE ENGRAVED BY THE BEST COUNTERFEITER IN THE WORLD...A GERMAN BY THE NAME OF HERMAN SCHENDEL...AND HE'S IN THIS COUNTRY!

HAVE YOU HAD HIM PICKED UP?
HE'S DISAPPEARED! HE WAS LIVING IN NEW YORK, WORKING FOR A JEWELER, BUT DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT RECENTLY! HERE'S A PICTURE AND DESCRIPTION OF HIM!
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ALL NAMES AND PLACES IN THESE TRUE-TO-LIFE STORIES ARE FICTITIOUS
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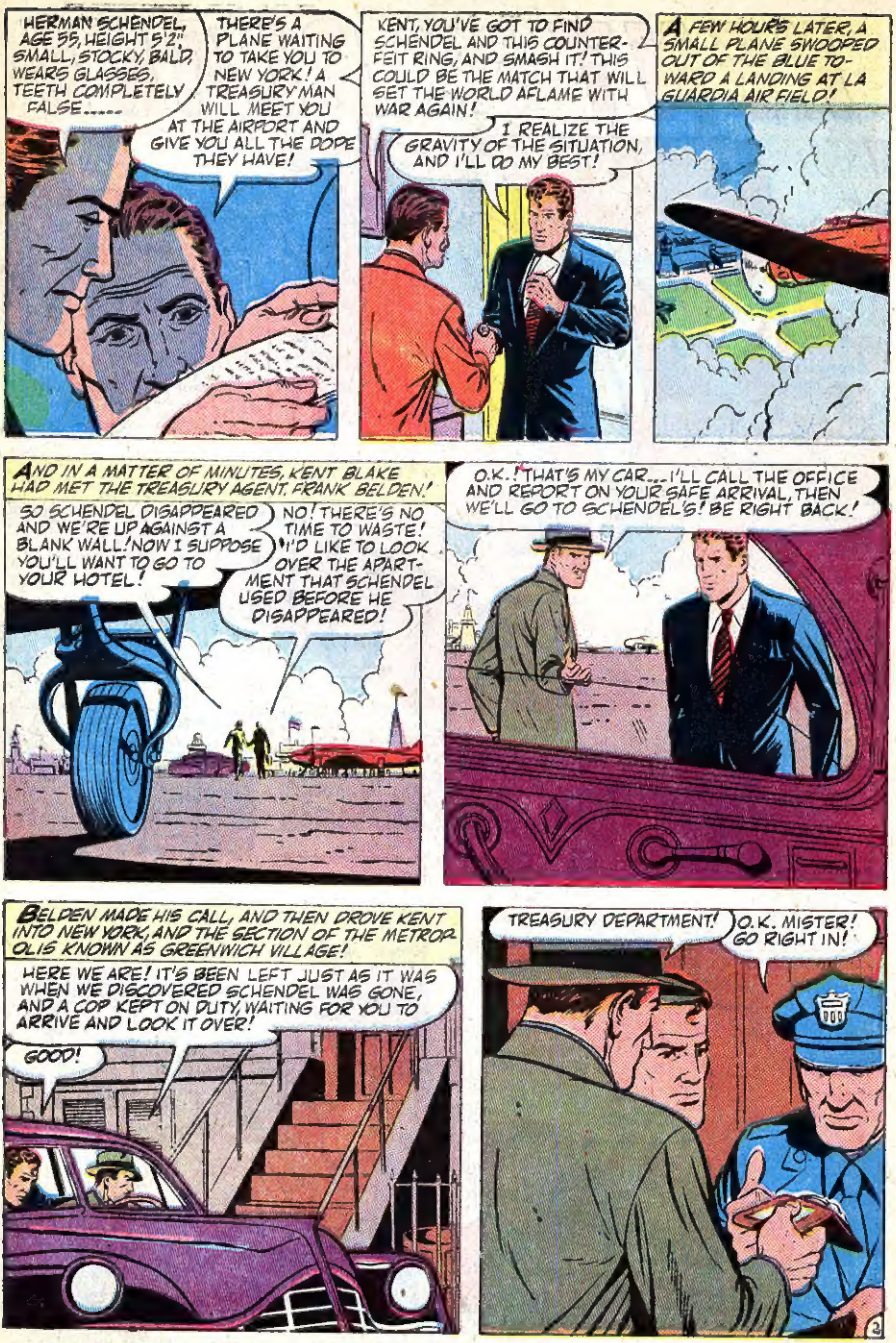
HERMAN SCHENDEL, AGE 55, HEIGHT 5'2", SMALL, STOCKY, BALD, WEARS GLASSES, TEETH COMPLETELY FALSE.....
THERE'S A PLANE WAITING TO TAKE YOU TO NEW YORK! A TREASURY MAN WILL MEET YOU AT THE AIRPORT AND GIVE YOU ALL THE DOPE THEY HAVE!
KENT, YOU'VE GOT TO FIND SCHENDEL AND THIS COUNTERFEIT RING, AND SMASH IT! THIS COULD BE THE MATCH THAT WILL SET THE WORLD AFLAME WITH WAR AGAIN!
I REALIZE THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION, AND I'LL DO MY BEST!
A FEW HOURS LATER, A SMALL PLANE SWOOPED OUT OF THE BLUE TOWARD A LANDING AT LA GUARDIA AIR FIELD!
AND IN A MATTER OF MINUTES, KENT BLAKE HAD MET THE TREASURY AGENT, FRANK BELDEN!
SO SCHENDEL DISAPPEARED AND WE'RE UP AGAINST A BLANK WALL! NOW I SUPPOSE YOU'LL WANT TO GO TO YOUR HOTEL!
NO! THERE'S NO TIME TO WASTE! I'D LIKE TO LOOK OVER THE APARTMENT THAT SCHENDEL USED BEFORE HE DISAPPEARED!
O.K.! THAT'S MY CAR... I'LL CALL THE OFFICE AND REPORT ON YOUR SAFE ARRIVAL, THEN WE'LL GO TO SCHENDEL'S! BE RIGHT BACK!
BELDEN MADE HIS CALL, AND THEN DROVE KENT INTO NEW YORK, AND THE SECTION OF THE METROPOLIS KNOWN AS GREENWICH VILLAGE!
HERE WE ARE! IT'S BEEN LEFT JUST AS IT WAS WHEN WE DISCOVERED SCHENDEL WAS GONE, AND A COP KEPT ON DUTY, WAITING FOR YOU TO ARRIVE AND LOOK IT OVER!
GOOD!
TREASURY DEPARTMENT!
O.K. MISTER! GO RIGHT IN!
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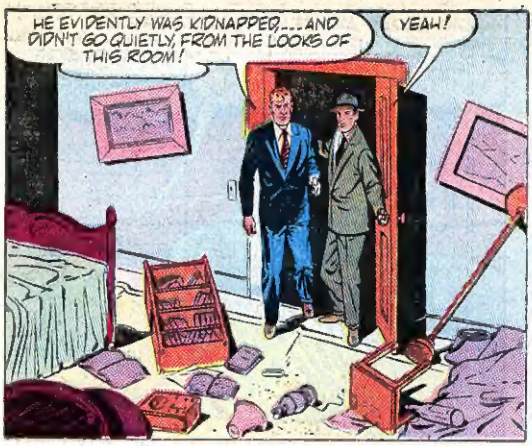
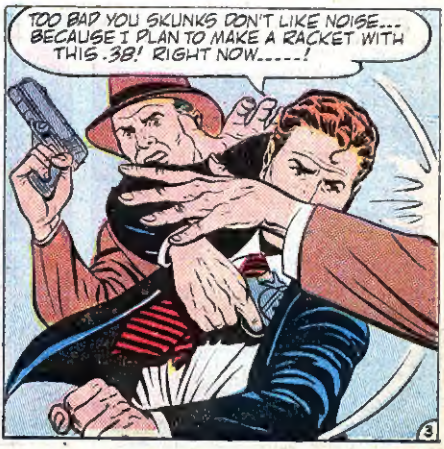

HE EVIDENTLY WAS KIDNAPPED....AND DIDN'T GO QUIETLY, FROM THE LOOKS OF THIS ROOM!
YEAH!

WHAT'S THIS?

KENT DREW THE GAYLY COLORED BOX OUT FROM UNDER THE SOFA....!
HMMMMM, POPCORN! THAT'S STRANGE! HERMAN SCHENDEL HAS FALSE TEETH.... AND A MAN WITH FALSE TEETH DOESN'T USUALLY EAT POPCORN!
PETE'S
CONEY
ISLAND
POPCORN

CONEY ISLAND! MAYBE IF WE.....!
HEY!
PETE'S

KENT'S TRAINED MIND AND BODY RESPONDED WITH CHARACTERISTIC SPEED....!
TAKE HIM....BUT NO NOISE ....NO SHOOTING!


TOO BAD YOU SKUNKS DON'T LIKE NOISE... BECAUSE I PLAN TO MAKE A RACKET WITH THIS .38! RIGHT NOW.....!
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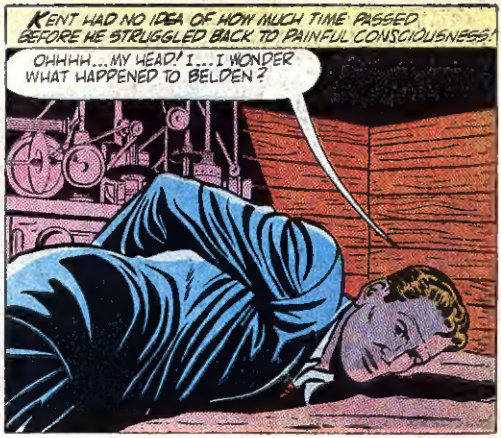
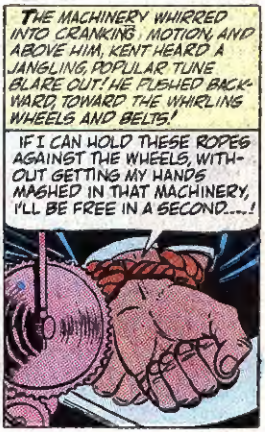
UGHHHHHHH!

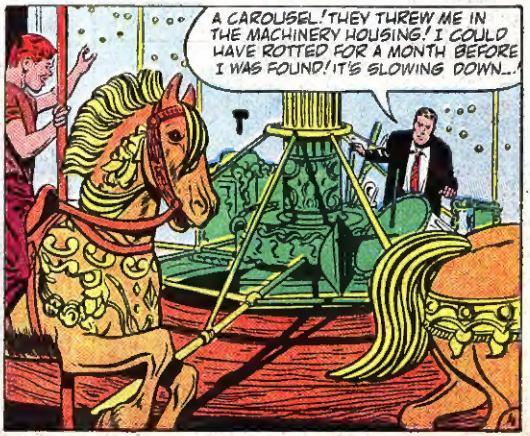

KENT HAD NO IDEA OF HOW MUCH TIME PASSED, BEFORE HE STRUGGLED BACK TO PAINFUL CONSCIOUSNESS!
OHHHH... MY HEAD! I... I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED TO BELDEN?

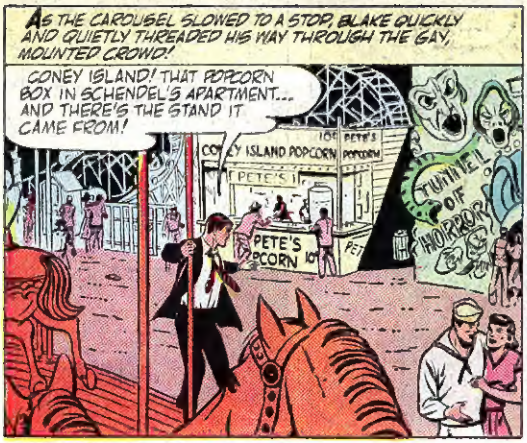
TIED HAND AND FOOT... I WONDER WHERE I AM? THIS LOOKS LIKE A BOX OF SOME KIND... LIKE A COFFIN! THAT NOISE I HEAR... SOUNDS LIKE MUSIC, AND PEOPLE SHOUTING AND LAUGHING...!

THE AIR... IT'S FOUL! IF I DON'T GET OUT IN A HURRY, I'LL SUFFOCATE...! WHAT THE DEVIL...? SOME KIND OF MACHINERY STARTING UP!


THE MACHINERY WHIRRED INTO CRANKING MOTION, AND ABOVE HIM, KENT HEARD A JANGLING, POPULAR TUNE BLARE OUT! HE PUSHED BACKWARD, TOWARD THE WHIRLING WHEELS AND BELTS!
IF I CAN HOLD THESE ROPES AGAINST THE WHEELS, WITHOUT GETTING MY HANDS MASHED IN THAT MACHINERY, I'LL BE FREE IN A SECOND...!

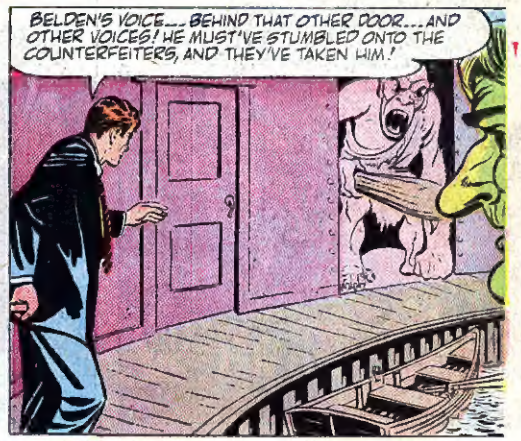
IT WORKED! NOW TO GET OUT OF THIS BOX... GET A BREATH OF FRESH AIR...!


A CAROUSEL! THEY THREW ME IN THE MACHINERY HOUSING! I COULD HAVE ROTTED FOR A MONTH BEFORE I WAS FOUND! IT'S SLOWING DOWN...!


AS THE CAROUSEL SLOWED TO A STOP, BLAKE QUICKLY AND QUIETLY THREADED HIS WAY THROUGH THE GAY, MOUNTED CROWD!
CONEY ISLAND! THAT POPCORN BOX IN SCHENDEL'S APARTMENT... AND THERE'S THE STAND IT CAME FROM!
CONEY ISLAND POPCORN
PETE'S POPCORN
PETE'S POPCORN
TUNNEL OF HORROR

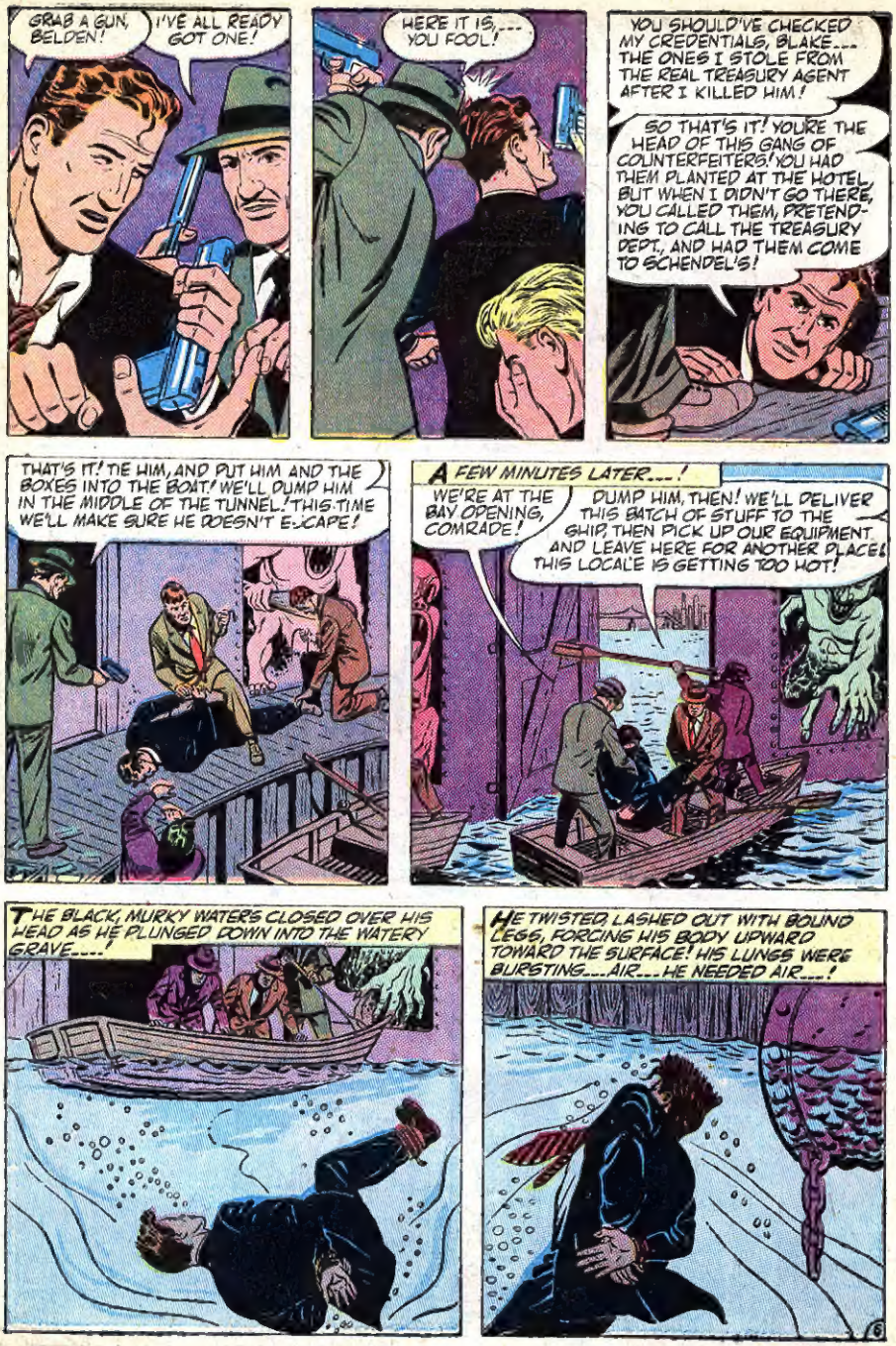
THERE'S THE TREASURY AGENT, BELDEN! HE MUST'VE ESCAPED FROM THEM AND TRAILED THEM HERE! BELDEN! WAIT.....BELDEN!

BUT THE NOISE OF THE MERRYMAKING CROWDS DROWNED KENT'S SHOUTS IN GAY WAVES OF SOUND!
HE DIDN'T HEAR ME!


BELDEN'S VOICE.... BEHIND THAT OTHER DOOR... AND OTHER VOICES! HE MUST'VE STUMBLED ONTO THE COUNTERFEITERS, AND THEY'VE TAKEN HIM!

WE'LL PUT THESE BOXES OF QUEER IN THE BOATS AND ROW THROUGH THE TUNNEL TO THE SECRET EXIT OUT INTO THE BAY! THE SHIP'S WAITING TO WEIGH ANCHOR!
THEY'VE GOT HIM!
BELDEN.... JUMP THEM... I'M WITH YOU!

BLAKE KNEW THE ODDS AGAINST HIM, BUT THE LIFE OF ANY GOVERNMENT SERVANT WAS IMPORTANT TO HIM! HE FIGURED THAT WITH BELDEN'S HELP HIS SURPRISE ATTACK MIGHT SUCCEED!
GIVE IT TO THEM, BELDEN!


GRAB A GUN, BELDEN!
I'VE ALL READY GOT ONE!
HERE IT IS,--- YOU FOOL!
YOU SHOULD'VE CHECKED MY CREDENTIALS, BLAKE--- THE ONES I STOLE FROM THE REAL TREASURY AGENT AFTER I KILLED HIM!
SO THAT'S IT! YOU'RE THE HEAD OF THIS GANG OF COUNTERFEITERS! YOU HAD THEM PLANTED AT THE HOTEL, BUT WHEN I DIDN'T GO THERE, YOU CALLED THEM, PRETENDING TO CALL THE TREASURY DEPT., AND HAD THEM COME TO SCHENDEL'S!
THAT'S IT! TIE HIM, AND PUT HIM AND THE BOXES INTO THE BOAT! WE'LL DUMP HIM IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TUNNEL! THIS TIME WE'LL MAKE SURE HE DOESN'T E:CAPE!
A FEW MINUTES LATER....!
WE'RE AT THE BAY OPENING, COMRADE!
DUMP HIM, THEN! WE'LL DELIVER THIS BATCH OF STUFF TO THE SHIP, THEN PICK UP OUR EQUIPMENT AND LEAVE HERE FOR ANOTHER PLACE! THIS LOCALE IS GETTING TOO HOT!
THE BLACK, MURKY WATERS CLOSED OVER HIS HEAD AS HE PLUNGED DOWN INTO THE WATERY GRAVE....!
HE TWISTED, LASHED OUT WITH BOUND LEGS, FORCING HIS BODY UPWARD TOWARD THE SURFACE! HIS LUNGS WERE BURSTING....AIR....HE NEEDED AIR....!
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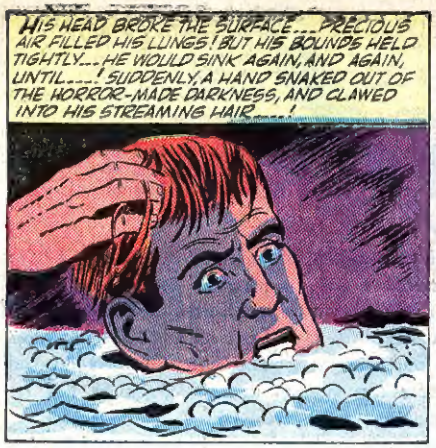
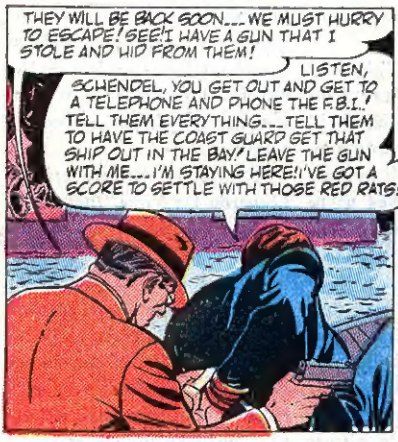
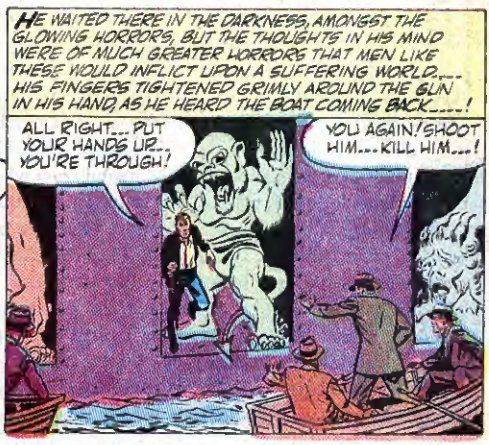

HIS HEAD BROKE THE SURFACE---PRECIOUS AIR FILLED HIS LUNGS! BUT HIS BOUNDS HELD TIGHTLY---HE WOULD SINK AGAIN, AND AGAIN, UNTIL----! SUDDENLY, A HAND SNAKED OUT OF THE HORROR-MADE DARKNESS, AND CLAWED INTO HIS STREAMING HAIR----!

SCHENDEL! HERMAN SCHENDEL!
YA, THAT IS RIGHT! THEY KIDNAP ME---HOLD ME PRISONER AND FORCE ME TO MAKE THE PLATES FOR THE COUNTERFEIT BILLS! I ESCAPED---FOLLOWED THEM WHEN THEY TOOK YOU----! I FREE YOU NOW!


THEY WILL BE BACK SOON---WE MUST HURRY TO ESCAPE! SEE! I HAVE A GUN THAT I STOLE AND HID FROM THEM!
LISTEN, SCHENDEL, YOU GET OUT AND GET TO A TELEPHONE AND PHONE THE F.B.I.! TELL THEM EVERYTHING---TELL THEM TO HAVE THE COAST GUARD GET THAT SHIP OUT IN THE BAY! LEAVE THE GUN WITH ME---I'M STAYING HERE! I'VE GOT A SCORE TO SETTLE WITH THOSE RED RATS!


HE WAITED THERE IN THE DARKNESS, AMONGST THE GLOWING HORRORS, BUT THE THOUGHTS IN HIS MIND WERE OF MUCH GREATER HORRORS THAT MEN LIKE THESE WOULD INFLICT UPON A SUFFERING WORLD---HIS FINGERS TIGHTENED GRIMLY AROUND THE GUN IN HIS HAND, AS HE HEARD THE BOAT COMING BACK----!
ALL RIGHT--- PUT YOUR HANDS UP--- YOU'RE THROUGH!
YOU AGAIN! SHOOT HIM---KILL HIM---!

BLAKE'S GUN KICKED AND THUNDERED IN HIS HAND! THERE WAS A GRIM SMILE ON HIS LIPS, AND NO DROP OF MERCY IN HIS HEART!
YOU FIRST, COMRADE BELDEN... OR WHOEVER YOU ARE...!

THE SHIP IN THE HARBOR MASQUERADING UNDER A DUTCH FLAG, WAS TAKEN, AND THE REST OF THE GANG HANDED OVER TO THE F.B.I.! SO ANOTHER THREAT TO OUR GOVERNMENT AND ITS PEOPLE WAS SMASHED BY AMERICA'S TOP AGENT, KENT BLAKE!

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THE END

COPY-CAT CRIME!

HENDRIK RANNSEN opened the door of his stateroom a crack and peered down the corridor. Empty.

Good! He made certain that the heavy revolver was in his jacket pocket, then, buttoning his coat carefully around the precious kind of bandage he wore under his shirt, he eased his huge frame out of the door and down the corridor.

He walked rapidly to the stairs, side-stepped behind a massive pillar as a young couple came up laughing and talking from the dining salon and, once they had passed out of sight, he descended to the next lower deck. He stopped before the third door from the end and looked quickly in both directions before knocking.

The man who closed the door fearfully behind him was as small as Hendrik was large. He was perspiring in great rivulets which ran unceasingly down his face and wilted his shirt collar, stiffly starched in the European style.

"Well?" Hendrik asked. "I received your signal, Felix. I therefore missed supper, so that we had a better chance of getting together unobserved. I hope your business is important. I warn you, Felix, missing supper has left me in a very bad humor!"

"It's important, all right," Felix replied, wiping his forehead with a fine linen handkerchief. "I just received a code radiogram from the headquarters in New York. Here."

The large man stared at the piece of paper for a few moments, his lips moving as he translated the code. He sank down heavily into an upholstered chair.

"The Secret Service!" he said at last. "They've been called into the case! But why, Felix, *why?*"

"Because," the other told him, "the nation from whom we stole the painting has tracked us to the port where we boarded this boat. They can't know our identity yet, or we'd have been picked up long ago; but they have figured out that we're on our way to America to sell the portrait. They've probably made a special request to the U. S. Government to have the picture returned and, since their friendship is important, the Secret Service was called in. This makes our job very difficult, Hendrik."

Hendrik nodded. "I know, I know. Getting through customs before it was alerted would have been hard enough. But with the Secret Service Agents lurking about, we'll have to have a very good plan."

"Right!" Felix nodded. "*I* have one. That's why the gang selected the two of us. Me for the brains if we got in a tight spot, and you to carry the action through. Well, Hendrik, I have a plan for getting the picture through even the Secret Service. Take it off and I'll show you."

The large man rose and began to undress. When he had removed his shirt, a great canvas wrapped in linen could be seen to be encasing the upper part of his body. This he unrolled slowly and carefully and laid on the bed. He lifted the strips of linen and stared lovingly at the oil painting.

"*Portrait of Michelangelo* by Leonardo Da Vinci," he mused. "How much would you say it's worth, Felix?"

"How much? A portrait of his rival by one of the greatest masters of all time? An oil painting by the creator of the immortal *Mona Lisa* whose very existence had not been suspected until its discovery three months ago —how much is such a masterpiece worth? At least a hundred thousand dollars to any unscrupulous collector. Maybe as much as a million if the gang can find the right person. Now as to how we're going to smuggle it into America past the Secret Service . . . see this umbrella, Hendrik?"

His accomplice stared uncomprehendingly as Felix carefully cut the fabric off an opened umbrella and broke off the folding metal struts which had held it in place. He then rolled the

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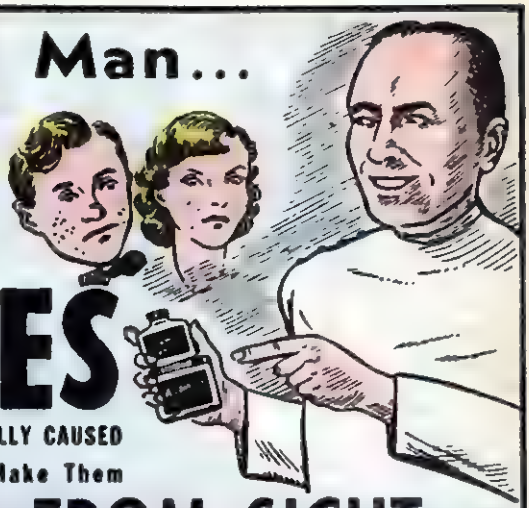
Meet The Man...

Who Can Tell You How To Lick



PIMPLES

ACNE AND ALL OTHER EXTERNALLY CAUSED SKIN BLEMISHES And Make Them

DISAPPEAR FROM SIGHT... *instantly!*

Here is Mr. John A. Rubine, Ph.G. — a well-known pharmacist who has spent almost 20 years trying to solve one of the most vexing problems of youth — and adults too — unsightly, acne pimples, blackheads and similar externally caused skin conditions.

They are indeed a serious problem, for nothing can do more to ruin your chances of success and popularity than a face made ugly with pimples and blackheads. And, if neglected, acne pimples may leave permanent scars and pits.

Mr. Rubine, after much experimenting and research in cooperation with doctors and chemists, found what he was seeking — a formula that would lick acne pimples and other externally caused skin blemishes. He succeeded beyond his fondest expectations and he was so proud of his treatment that he gave it his own name — RUBIN-EX.

HE SAID: "IS RUBIN-EX the one can realize the humiliation — severe disgrace — of a face marred by pimples and blackheads. I had been so bad that I left school many months at one time. Today my pimples are gone — and I bless Rubin-Ex — that did it."—Mr. Bob T. B., Long Island

LUCKY DAY FOR ME! For years I was embarrassed and ashamed of my pimply face and boyish complexion. It was a lucky day for me when I was told about Rubin-Ex. My pimples disappeared from sight, instead and my complexion improved 100%.—Miss Jane G. L., Bronx

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A Makes acne pimples and all other skin blemishes INSTANTLY DISAPPEAR FROM SIGHT

B Its medication cleans up pimples, blackheads.

When thousands of tiny oil glands discharge more oil than your skin can absorb the excess oil picks up and holds tiny particles of dust, dirt, grime, grit bacteria. This foreign matter soon clogs up and enlarges your pores, form blackheads cause infection and soon you have a fine crop of ugly, red acne pimples.

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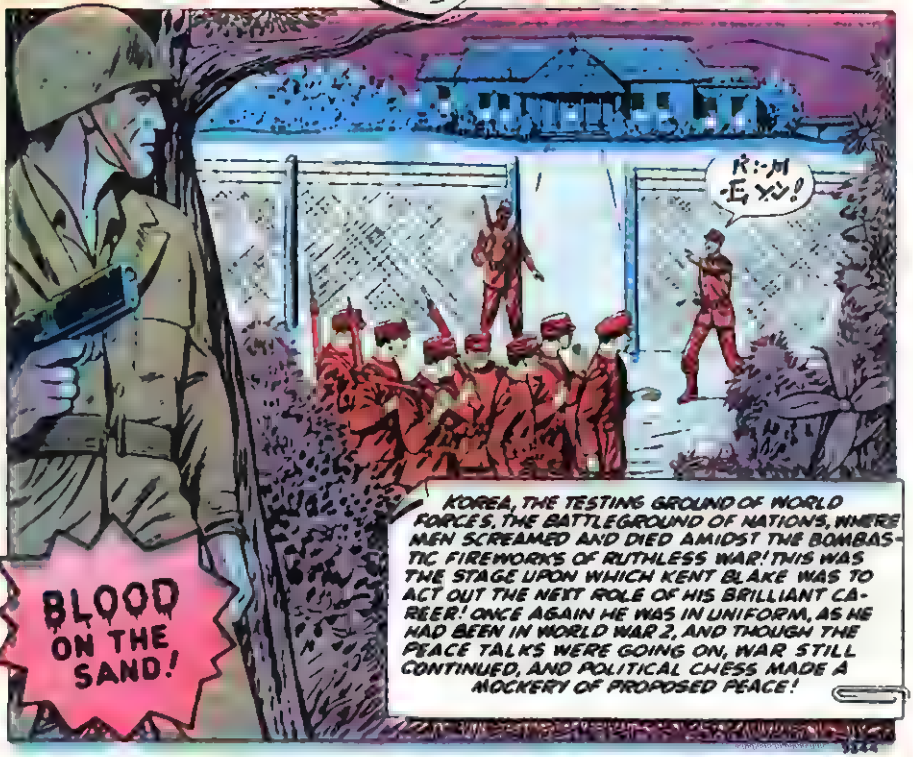
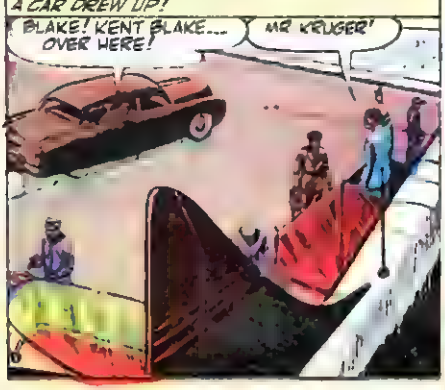
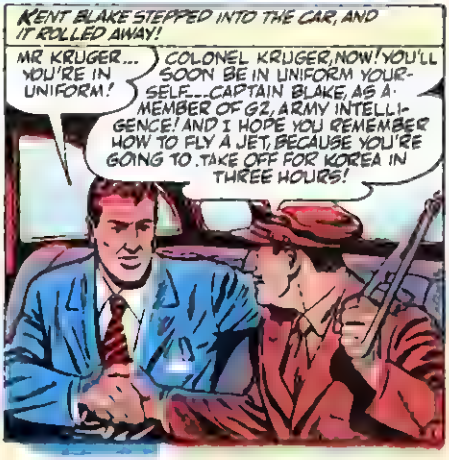


KOREA, THE TESTING GROUND OF WORLD FORCES, THE BATTLEGROUND OF NATIONS, WHERE MEN SCREAMED AND DIED AMIDST THE BOMBASTIC FIREWORKS OF RUTHLESS WAR! THIS WAS THE STAGE UPON WHICH KENT BLAKE WAS TO ACT OUT THE NEXT ROLE OF HIS BRILLIANT CAREER! ONCE AGAIN HE WAS IN UNIFORM, AS HE HAD BEEN IN WORLD WAR 2, AND THOUGH THE PEACE TALKS WERE GOING ON, WAR STILL CONTINUED, AND POLITICAL CHESS MADE A MOCKERY OF PROPOSED PEACE!

BLAKE FLEW BACK TO WASHINGTON FROM N.Y. AFTER HAVING SMASHED THE FOREIGN COUNTERFEIT RING! AS HE STEPPED FROM THE PLANE, A CAR DREW UP!



KENT BLAKE STEPPED INTO THE CAR, AND IT ROLLED AWAY!


MR KRUGER... YOU'RE IN UNIFORM!
COLONEL KRUGER, NOW! YOU'LL SOON BE IN UNIFORM YOURSELF... CAPTAIN BLAKE, AS A MEMBER OF G2, ARMY INTELLIGENCE! AND I HOPE YOU REMEMBER HOW TO FLY A JET, BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE OFF FOR KOREA IN THREE HOURS!

TWO HOURS LATER, AT THE ARMY AIRPORT, KENT BLAKE WAS IN UNIFORM AND HAD BEEN SWORN IN AS A MEMBER OF ARMY INTELLIGENCE, SECRET UNIT No. 5

CAPT. BLAKE, YOUR PLANE IS READY AND YOU WILL TAKE OFF IMMEDIATELY! YOUR CO-PILOT, LIEUTENANT FARNAM, IS ONE OF OUR MEN AND HE'LL BRIEF YOU DURING THE FLIGHT ON YOUR MISSION! GOOD LUCK!

THANK YOU, SIR!

THIS HAS BEEN A SUDDEN CHANGE, BUT IT FEELS GOOD TO GET BACK IN UNIFORM! I HOPE WE MEET AGAIN, SIR!

WE WILL! YOU'LL STILL BE WORKING UNDER ME... BUT YOUR WORK WILL BE EVEN MORE DANGEROUS THAN BEFORE! HAPPY LANDING, CAPTAIN!

THE JET SPED TOWARD KOREA AS LIEUTENANT FARNAM GAVE KENT BLAKE THE DETAILS OF THEIR MISSION!

SEE THIS PICTURE? THAT HOUSE WAS FORMERLY INHABITED BY A WEALTHY KOREAN, AND IT'S IN ENEMY TERRITORY, BEYOND THE 38th PARALLEL! WE THINK AN AMERICAN ATOMIC SCIENTIST, JOHN PRESTON, IS BEING HELD CAPTIVE THERE!

TELL ME MORE!

HE HAS INVENTED A NEW TYPE OF ATOMIC WEAPON FOR HAND USE, AND WAS IN KOREA TO STUDY ACTUAL BATTLE CONDITIONS IN REFERENCE TO ITS USE, WHEN HE WAS CAPTURED! HE WAS TAKEN YESTERDAY!

I GET IT! WE'RE SUPPOSED TO GET HIM OUT OF THE COMMIES' HANDS BEFORE THEY MAKE HIM TELL THEM HOW TO PRODUCE THIS NEW WEAPON!

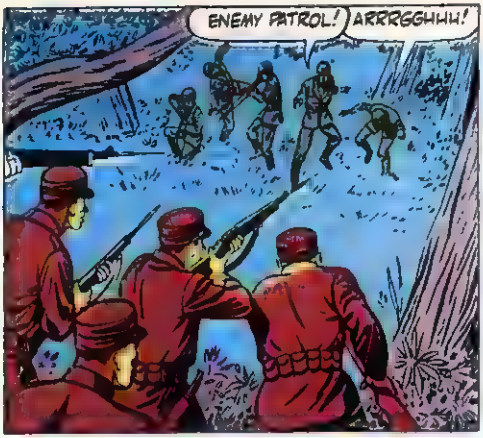
THAT'S THE SET UP! WE THINK IT'S ONE OF THE REASONS FOR THE PEACE PARLEY DELAYS! INCIDENTALLY, SOME OF THE HEAVIEST FIGHTING RIGHT NOW IS GOING ON IN THE SECTOR WE HAVE TO PASS THROUGH!

THAT'S A HAPPY THOUGHT!

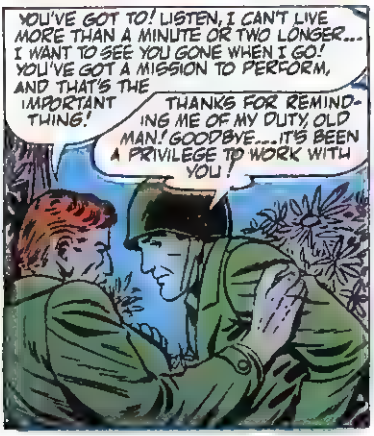
THE PLANE LANDED IN KOREA AT DUSK, SUNDAY, JULY 22!

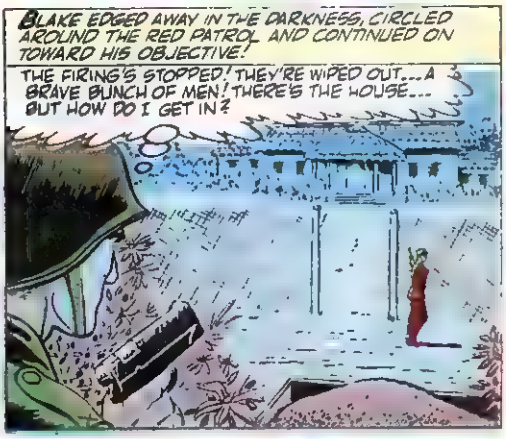
AND AN HOUR LATER, IN FULL DARK, BLAKE AND THE LIEUTENANT, WITH A PROTECTIVE PATROL, SET OUT TOWARD THE SOUND OF BATTLE, AND THE ENEMY LINES!

IF THEY HAPPEN TO SPOT US MOVING OUT HERE... THEY'LL MAKE IT HOT FOR US!
THOSE SHELLS'RE COMIN' CLOSER, SIR! I THINK THEY HAVE SPOTTED US!
THE SHELLS CAME CLOSER.... WHINING, SMASHING, SLAMMING....SEEKING THEM LIKE LIVING MONSTERS OF DESTRUCTION....
THEY'RE ON US!
HIT THE DIRT!
VHOOM!
BRAMMM!
THE EARTH HEAVED UNDER THE TITANIC SLAMS, AND THE MEN WERE PINNED THERE... FINGERS CONVULSIVELY DIGGING, THEIR MINDS FEAR-RIDDEN CHAOS, EXPOSED TO ANNIHILATION!
THEY'RE PLASTERING US! WE'VE GOT TO MAKE A BREAK OR WE'LL ALL BE BLOWN APART! C'MON!
THEY RAN, THE FEW THAT WERE LEFT.... RAN UNTIL THEIR BREATH CHOKED THEM AND THE SHELLS WERE LEFT BEHIND!
O.K., FELLOWS....WE GOT OUT OF IT! LET'S STOP FOR A BREATHER!
LISTEN! THERE'S MOVEMENT UP AHEAD.... BEHIND THOSE BUSHES!


ENEMY PATROL!
ARRRGGHHH!

LISTEN, BLAKE, GET OUT OF THIS, WE'LL HOLD THEM AS LONG AS WE CAN! MAYBE YOU CAN GET THROUGH ALONE!
YOU'RE HIT BADLY, AND MOST OF THE OTHERS ARE WOUNDED--- I CAN'T LEAVE NOW!

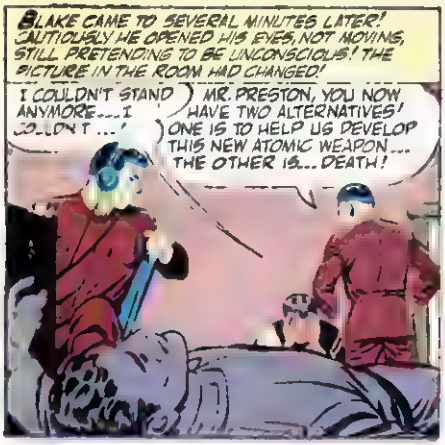

YOU'VE GOT TO! LISTEN, I CAN'T LIVE MORE THAN A MINUTE OR TWO LONGER... I WANT TO SEE YOU GONE WHEN I GO! YOU'VE GOT A MISSION TO PERFORM, AND THAT'S THE IMPORTANT THING!
THANKS FOR REMINDING ME OF MY DUTY OLD MAN! GOODBYE... IT'S BEEN A PRIVILEGE TO WORK WITH YOU!

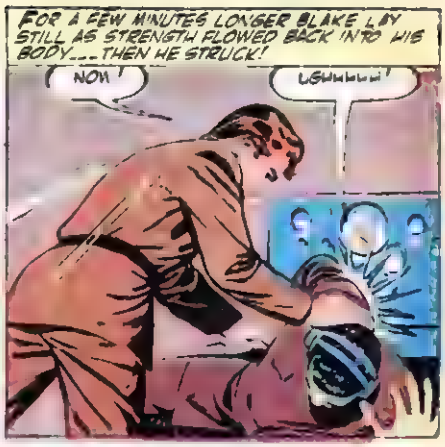

BLAKE EDGED AWAY IN THE DARKNESS, CIRCLED AROUND THE RED PATROL AND CONTINUED ON TOWARD HIS OBJECTIVE!
THE FIRING'S STOPPED! THEY'RE WIPED OUT... A BRAVE BUNCH OF MEN! THERE'S THE HOUSE... BUT HOW DO I GET IN?

I DO NOT HEAR THE SCREAMS! YOU MAKE PROGRESS, COMRADE?
YOU WILL HEAR THE SCREAMS AGAIN, AND HE WILL SOON TALK! I GO FOR MORE SAND TO THROW ON THE FLOOR TO ABSORB THE CURSED CAPITALISTIC BLOOD HE SPILLS!

THE RUSSIAN CAME TO THE SAND BOX... THE SENTRY TURNED HIS BACK TO CONTINUE HIS ROUNDS..!

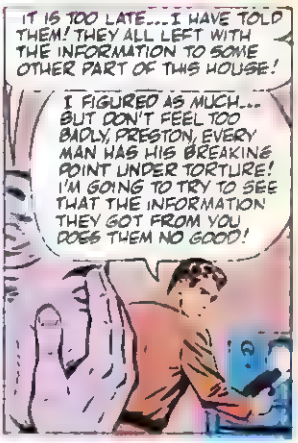
I'M GOING TO BORROW YOUR CLOTHES, COMRADE ...YOU'LL BE TOO DEAD TO NEED THEM ANYWAY!
A FEW MINUTES LATER...!
MAKE THE PIG TALK COMRADE!
YAW!
THE SOBS OF THE TORTURED MAN LED BLAKE TO THE RIGHT DOOR IMMEDIATELY!
I'LL KILL THE MAN WHO MOVES!
PRESTON, ARE YOU CONSCIOUS...DO YOU THINK YOU CAN WALK IF I.....?
BEHIND YOU...! LOOK OUT...!
UGH!
ARRRR G GHH!
BANG!
THROW HIM IN THE CORNER, AND RADIO HEADQUARTERS OF THIS NEW DEVELOPMENT...HE MUST BE FROM U.S. INTELLIGENCE! WE WILL CONTINUE QUESTIONING MR. PRESTON!
NO! NO, I CAN'T STAND ANY MORE.....!

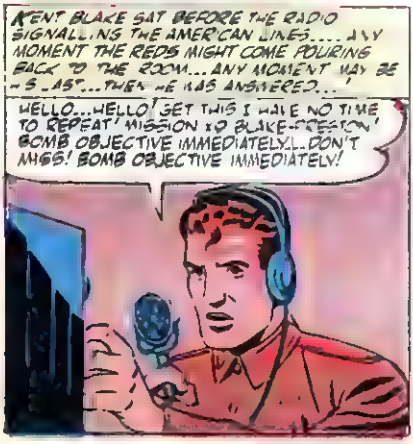

BLAKE CAME TO SEVERAL MINUTES LATER! CAUTIOUSLY HE OPENED HIS EYES, NOT MOVING, STILL PRETENDING TO BE UNCONSCIOUS! THE PICTURE IN THE ROOM HAD CHANGED!
I COULDN'T STAND ANYMORE....I CO...LDN'T ...'
MR. PRESTON, YOU NOW HAVE TWO ALTERNATIVES! ONE IS TO HELP US DEVELOP THIS NEW ATOMIC WEAPON... THE OTHER IS... DEATH!

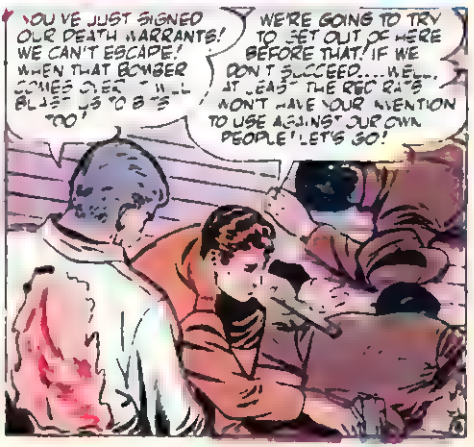

FOR A FEW MINUTES LONGER BLAKE LAY STILL AS STRENGTH FLOWED BACK INTO HIS BODY....THEN HE STRUCK!
NOW!
UGHHHHH!

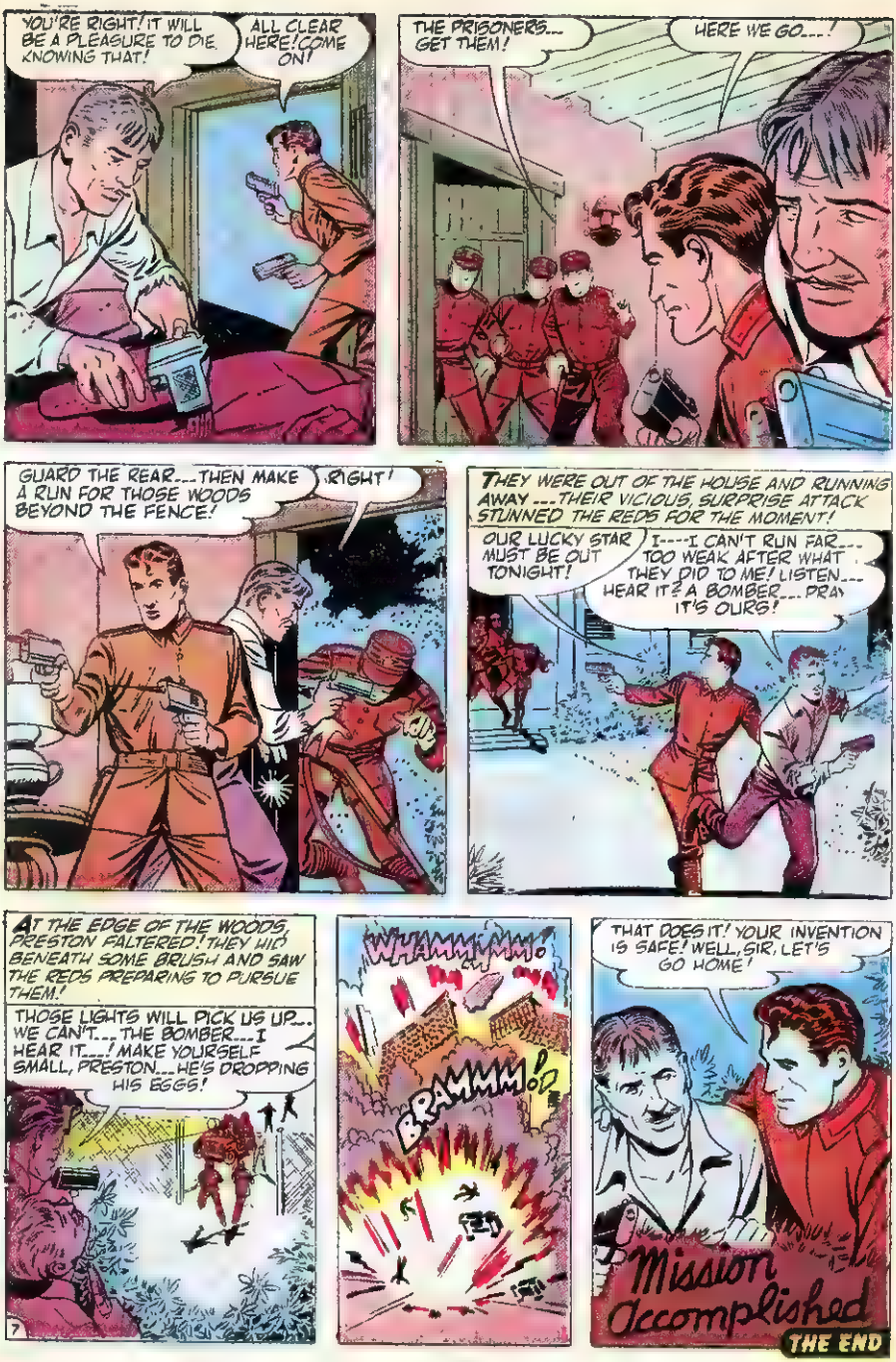
PUT UP YOUR HANDS AND TURN AROUND! ONE PEEP OUT OF YOU AND YOU'RE DEAD!

NO YOU, DON'T!


IT IS TOO LATE...I HAVE TOLD THEM! THEY ALL LEFT WITH THE INFORMATION TO SOME OTHER PART OF THIS HOUSE!
I FIGURED AS MUCH... BUT DON'T FEEL TOO BADLY, PRESTON, EVERY MAN HAS HIS BREAKING POINT UNDER TORTURE! I'M GOING TO TRY TO SEE THAT THE INFORMATION THEY GOT FROM YOU DOES THEM NO GOOD!


AGENT BLAKE SAT BEFORE THE RADIO SIGNALLING THE AMERICAN LINES.... ANY MOMENT THE REDS MIGHT COME POURING BACK TO THE ROOM... ANY MOMENT MAY BE TOO LATE...THEN HE WAS ANSWERED...
HELLO...HELLO! SET THIS I HAVE NO TIME TO REPEAT! MISSION TO BLAKE-PRESTON! BOMB OBJECTIVE IMMEDIATELY!...DON'T MISS! BOMB OBJECTIVE IMMEDIATELY!


YOU'VE JUST SIGNED OUR DEATH WARRANTS! WE CAN'T ESCAPE! WHEN THAT BOMBER COMES OVER - IT'LL BLAST US TO BITS TOO!
WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE THAT! IF WE DON'T SUCCEED....WELL, AT LEAST THE REDS WON'T HAVE YOUR INVENTION TO USE AGAINST OUR OWN PEOPLE! LET'S GO!


YOU'RE RIGHT! IT WILL BE A PLEASURE TO DIE KNOWING THAT!
ALL CLEAR HERE! COME ON!
THE PRISONERS... GET THEM!
HERE WE GO...!
GUARD THE REAR...THEN MAKE A RUN FOR THOSE WOODS BEYOND THE FENCE!
RIGHT!
THEY WERE OUT OF THE HOUSE AND RUNNING AWAY...THEIR VICIOUS, SURPRISE ATTACK STUNNED THE REDS FOR THE MOMENT!
OUR LUCKY STAR MUST BE OUT TONIGHT!
I---I CAN'T RUN FAR... TOO WEAK AFTER WHAT THEY DID TO ME! LISTEN... HEAR IT? A BOMBER...PRAY IT'S OURS!
AT THE EDGE OF THE WOODS, PRESTON FALTERED! THEY HID BENEATH SOME BRUSH AND SAW THE REDS PREPARING TO PURSUE THEM!
THOSE LIGHTS WILL PICK US UP... WE CAN'T...THE BOMBER...I HEAR IT...! MAKE YOURSELF SMALL, PRESTON...HE'S DROPPING HIS EGGS!
WHAMMMMMM!
BRAMMMM!!
THAT DOES IT! YOUR INVENTION IS SAFE! WELL, SIR, LET'S GO HOME!
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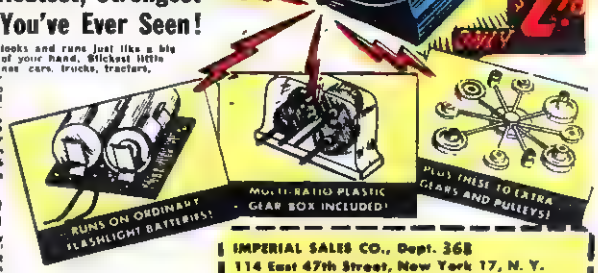

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canvas painting around the long central rod, just below the handle, and replaced the black umbrella fabric, using tiny pins to fold it as if it were still being held by the struts. The completed object looked exactly like a closed umbrella. No one would have suspected that an incredibly valuable painting lay concealed inside.

"See?" the small man asked. "You carry your umbrella jauntily by the handle, and no one really notices it. Even if they want to examine you physically, why, you just lay it down on an out-of-the-way spot while you undress, then, later — when you've been declared all right and all of your clothes have been examined—you dress again. On your way out, you pick up your umbrella almost as an afterthought. That's how Arsene Lupin, the greatest of European criminals did it. The barbaric American Secret Service men will be caught by the trick just as were the finest police minds of France."

"And you're sure no one will think of examining the umbrella?" Hendrik asked dubiously. "It seems so obvious."

"That's just the point!" Felix laughed. "A basic point in human psychology is that the obvious is missed. Always! But just to be certain, we will not do it the way Lupin did. I will get ahead of you on the line and, when you put your umbrella down to start undressing, why I will pick it up on my way out and walk off with it!"

"No, you will not!" Hendrik told him. He pulled out his revolver and pointed it at the astonished little man. "I've been waiting for your clever brain to work out a plan for getting the picture ashore! Now that you've told me of a way that one man can do it by himself, do you think, foolish Felix, that I need you anymore? Or our gang which has so kindly paid our transportation and expenses? No, once I kill you with this weapon which is equipped, as you see, with a silencer, all I have to do is get through customs and the Secret Service with your wonderful umbrella. Then

I will assume a disguise and sell the Da Vinci for as large a fortune as I can."

"No! Wait, Hendrik—" Felix yelled, jumping at him, waving his arms wildly. The large man shot him calmly, three times, and was out of the room with the umbrella-wrapped picture almost before he was dead. The expensive stateroom was well-insulated and the relatively deadened noise of the silencer-equipped revolver didn't go very far. As a last precaution, Hendrik tossed the weapon out of a porthole and into the sea once he was back in his own cabin. He was positive no one had seen him leave Felix' stateroom.

The murder caused a lot of uproar in the ship and, when it docked three days later, the police men came aboard and investigated. But, since no one connected Hendrik to Felix, he was not even suspected.

Finally, came the moment when he found himself going through customs. Since the murder had been associated with the stolen painting, the search for the canvas was intensified and Hendrik, along with many others, was ordered to submit to a personal search in addition to the examination of his belongings. He did exactly as Felix had told him. A few minutes later he was okayed and, chuckling, he picked up the umbrella he had stood upright in a distant corner and walked out.

"Just a minute, mister," said a young Secret Service man standing outside the Customs shed. He plucked the umbrella out of the astonished Hendrik's hand and rolled the fabric down with his fingers. The canvas fell out. Two policemen grabbed Hendrik on each side.

"You might have gotten away with it," the Secret Service man laughed, "if you hadn't put it in an umbrella. I've been standing out here just waiting for someone to walk out with an umbrella! You see, when I was studying French in college, we read about a criminal who tried to steal a painting in exactly that fashion! I've forgotten his name, but—"

"His name was Arsene Lupin," said Hendrik morosely as he was led away.

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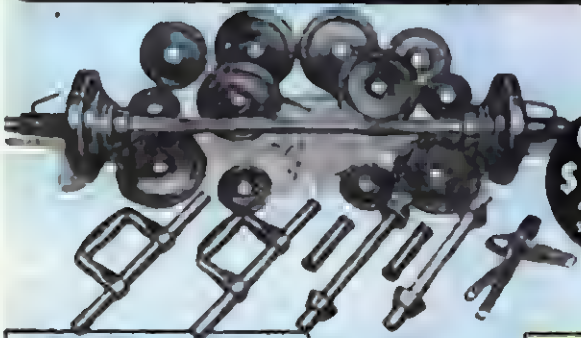

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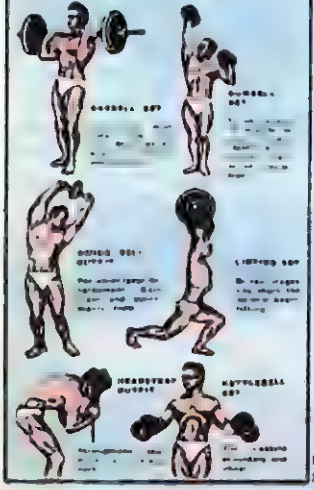

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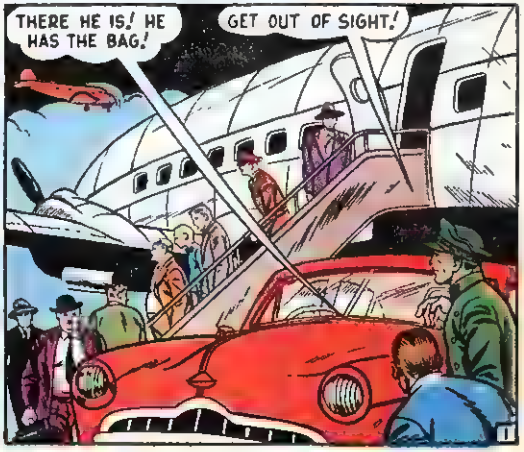
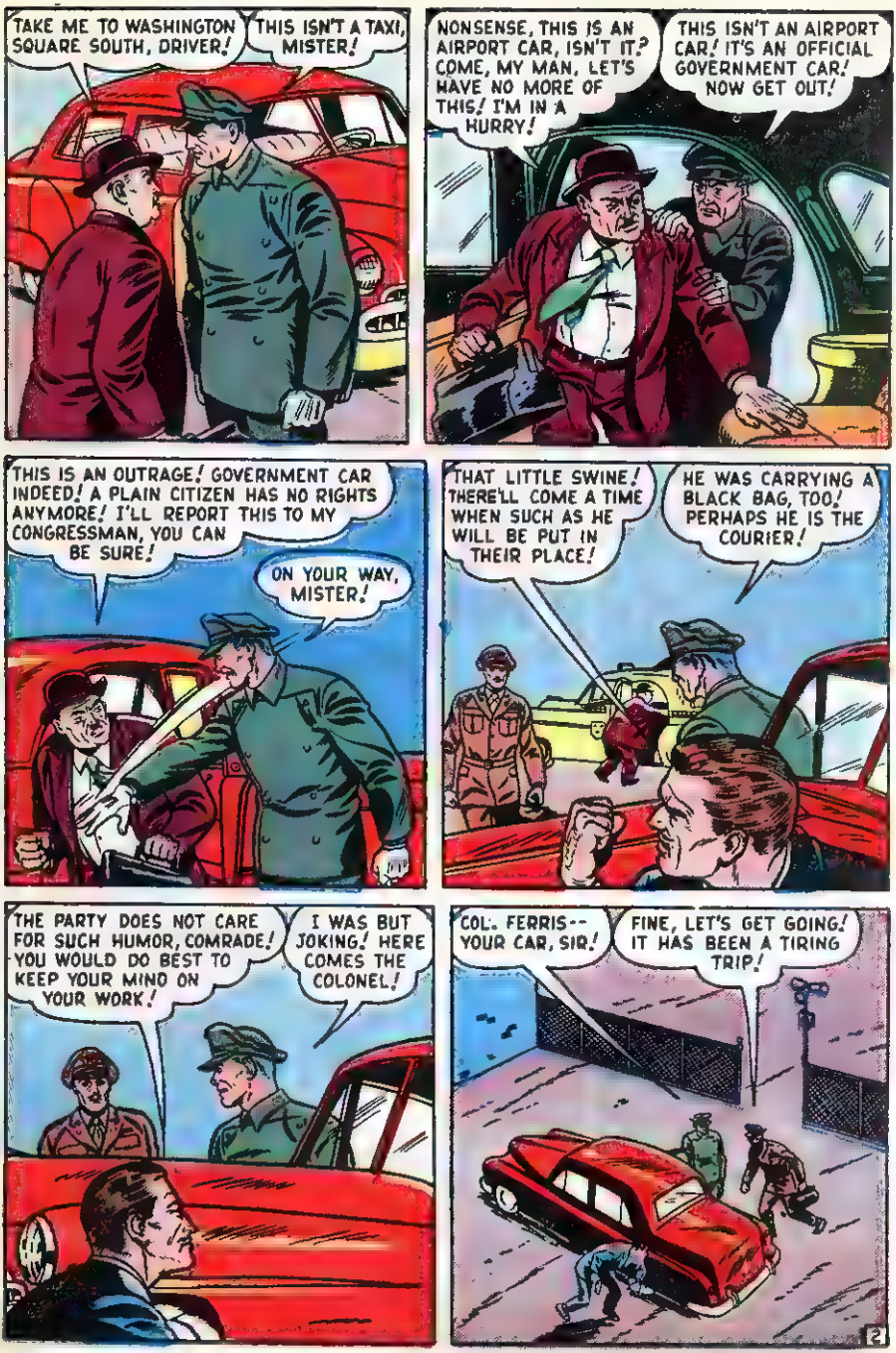
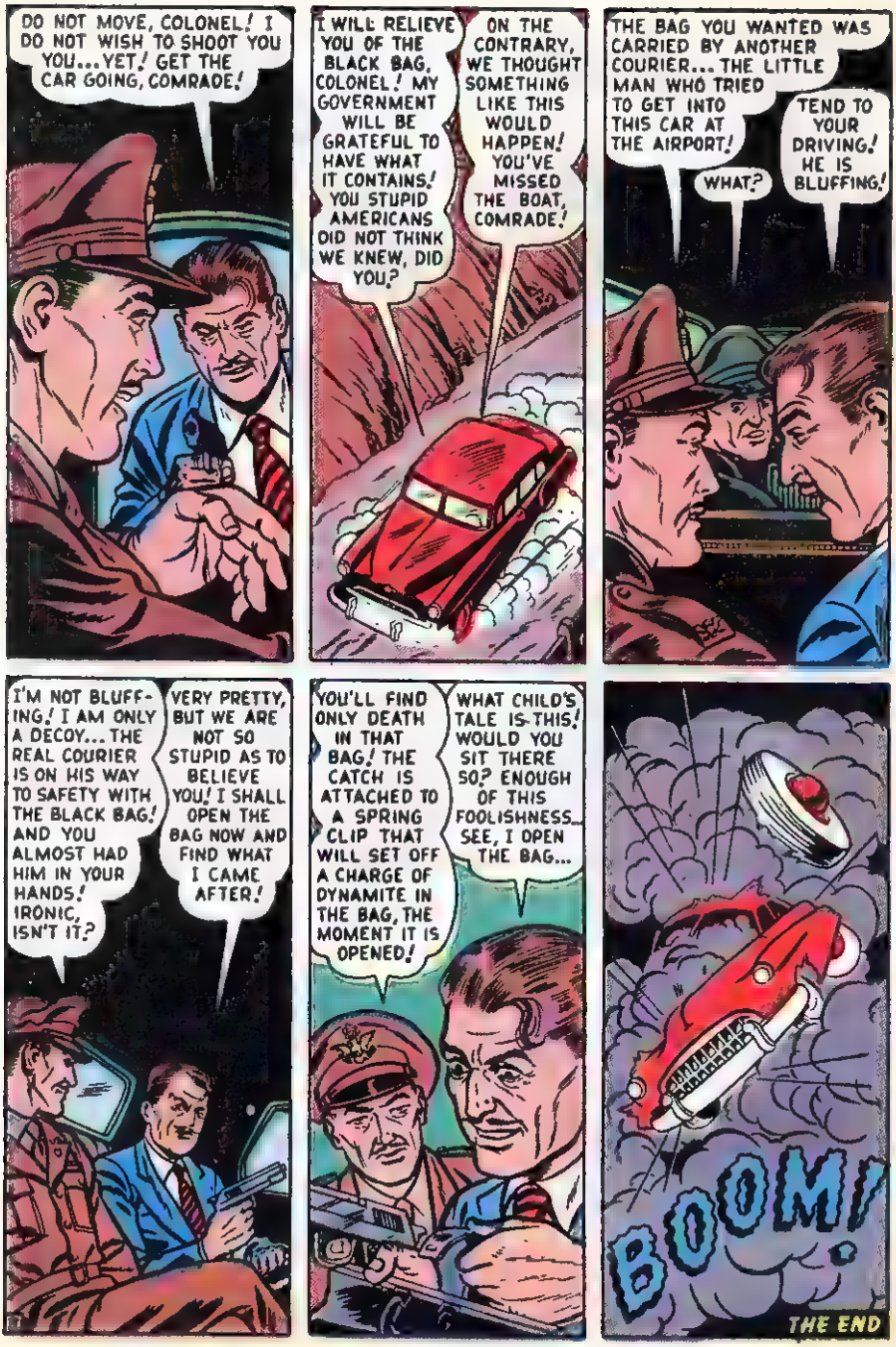
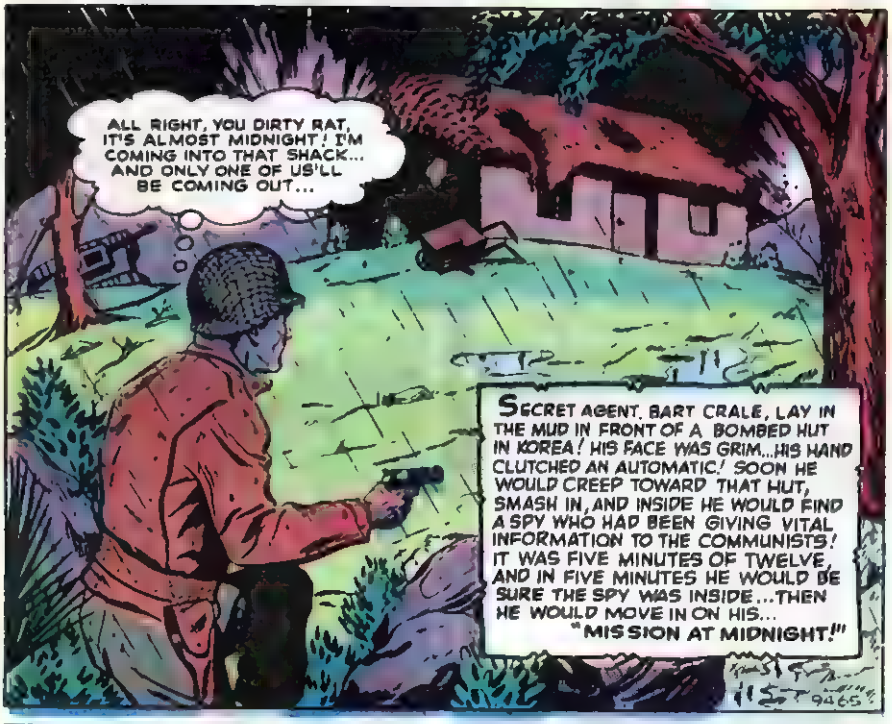
...THAT IS THE PLANE! REMEMBER HE WILL BE IN UNIFORM CARRYING THE BLACK BAG!
YOU HAVE TOLD ME SIX TIMES! I AM NOT A MORON, COMRADE!

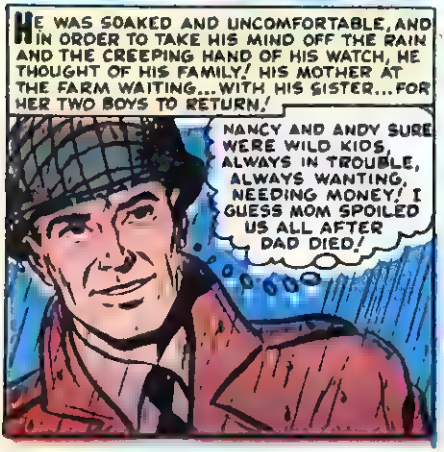



TAKE ME TO WASHINGTON SQUARE SOUTH, DRIVER!
THIS ISN'T A TAXI, MISTER!
NONSENSE, THIS IS AN AIRPORT CAR, ISN'T IT? COME, MY MAN, LET'S HAVE NO MORE OF THIS! I'M IN A HURRY!
THIS ISN'T AN AIRPORT CAR! IT'S AN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT CAR! NOW GET OUT!
THIS IS AN OUTRAGE! GOVERNMENT CAR INDEED! A PLAIN CITIZEN HAS NO RIGHTS ANYMORE! I'LL REPORT THIS TO MY CONGRESSMAN, YOU CAN BE SURE!
ON YOUR WAY, MISTER!
THAT LITTLE SWINE! THERE'LL COME A TIME WHEN SUCH AS HE WILL BE PUT IN THEIR PLACE!
HE WAS CARRYING A BLACK BAG, TOO! PERHAPS HE IS THE COURIER!
THE PARTY DOES NOT CARE FOR SUCH HUMOR, COMRADE! YOU WOULD DO BEST TO KEEP YOUR MIND ON YOUR WORK!
I WAS BUT JOKING! HERE COMES THE COLONEL!
COL. FERRIS-- YOUR CAR, SIR!
FINE, LET'S GET GOING! IT HAS BEEN A TIRING TRIP!


DO NOT MOVE, COLONEL! I DO NOT WISH TO SHOOT YOU YOU...YET! GET THE CAR GOING, COMRADE!
I WILL RELIEVE YOU OF THE BLACK BAG, COLONEL! MY GOVERNMENT WILL BE GRATEFUL TO HAVE WHAT IT CONTAINS! YOU STUPID AMERICANS DID NOT THINK WE KNEW, DID YOU?
ON THE CONTRARY, WE THOUGHT SOMETHING LIKE THIS WOULD HAPPEN! YOU'VE MISSED THE BOAT, COMRADE!
THE BAG YOU WANTED WAS CARRIED BY ANOTHER COURIER... THE LITTLE MAN WHO TRIED TO GET INTO THIS CAR AT THE AIRPORT!
WHAT?
TEND TO YOUR DRIVING! HE IS BLUFFING!
I'M NOT BLUFFING! I AM ONLY A DECOY... THE REAL COURIER IS ON HIS WAY TO SAFETY WITH THE BLACK BAG! AND YOU ALMOST HAD HIM IN YOUR HANDS! IRONIC, ISN'T IT?
VERY PRETTY, BUT WE ARE NOT SO STUPID AS TO BELIEVE YOU! I SHALL OPEN THE BAG NOW AND FIND WHAT I CAME AFTER!
YOU'LL FIND ONLY DEATH IN THAT BAG! THE CATCH IS ATTACHED TO A SPRING CLIP THAT WILL SET OFF A CHARGE OF DYNAMITE IN THE BAG, THE MOMENT IT IS OPENED!
WHAT CHILD'S TALE IS THIS! WOULD YOU SIT THERE SO? ENOUGH OF THIS FOOLISHNESS SEE, I OPEN THE BAG...
BOOM!
THE END

MISSION AT MIDNIGHT


ALL RIGHT, YOU DIRTY RAT, IT'S ALMOST MIDNIGHT! I'M COMING INTO THAT SHACK... AND ONLY ONE OF US'LL BE COMING OUT...
SECRET AGENT, BART CRALE, LAY IN THE MUD IN FRONT OF A BOMBED HUT IN KOREA! HIS FACE WAS GRIM...HIS HAND CLUTCHED AN AUTOMATIC! SOON HE WOULD CREEP TOWARD THAT HUT, SMASH IN, AND INSIDE HE WOULD FIND A SPY WHO HAD BEEN GIVING VITAL INFORMATION TO THE COMMUNISTS! IT WAS FIVE MINUTES OF TWELVE, AND IN FIVE MINUTES HE WOULD BE SURE THE SPY WAS INSIDE...THEN HE WOULD MOVE IN ON HIS... "MISSION AT MIDNIGHT!"


HE WAS SOAKED AND UNCOMFORTABLE, AND IN ORDER TO TAKE HIS MIND OFF THE RAIN AND THE CREEPING HAND OF HIS WATCH, HE THOUGHT OF HIS FAMILY! HIS MOTHER AT THE FARM WAITING...WITH HIS SISTER...FOR HER TWO BOYS TO RETURN!
NANCY AND ANDY SURE WERE WILD KIDS, ALWAYS IN TROUBLE, ALWAYS WANTING, NEEDING MONEY! I GUESS MOM SPOILED US ALL AFTER DAD DIED!

TOO BAD I COULD NEVER TELL THEM THAT I WAS A SECRET AGENT! THEY'D HAVE GOTTEN A BIG KICK OUT OF THAT! ANDY WOULD SURE BE PROUD IF HE COULD SEE ME NOW! WELL, IT'S ALMOST MIDNIGHT!
TIME TO MOVE! IN ANOTHER MINUTE, THAT RAT, WHOEVER HE IS, WILL BE INSIDE THERE, WAITING TO MEET HIS COMMIE FRIENDS AND SELL THEM SOME MORE INFORMATION!
IT'S TIMES LIKE THIS THAT I LIKE MY WORK! KNOCKING OFF THAT DIRTY SPY MIGHT SAVE ANDY'S LIFE, AND THE LIVES OF OTHER YOUNG G.I.'S LIKE HIM! I HEAR MOVEMENT INSIDE...HE'S THERE!
ALL RIGHT, COME OUT OF THERE... WITH YOUR HANDS UP! YOUR FRIENDS WON'T BE ALONG TONIGHT!
BANG!
SLAM!
YOU ASKED FOR IT!
BANG!
ARRRRGHHHH
NOW WE'LL SEE WHO THIS SPY WAS!
ANDY!
THE END

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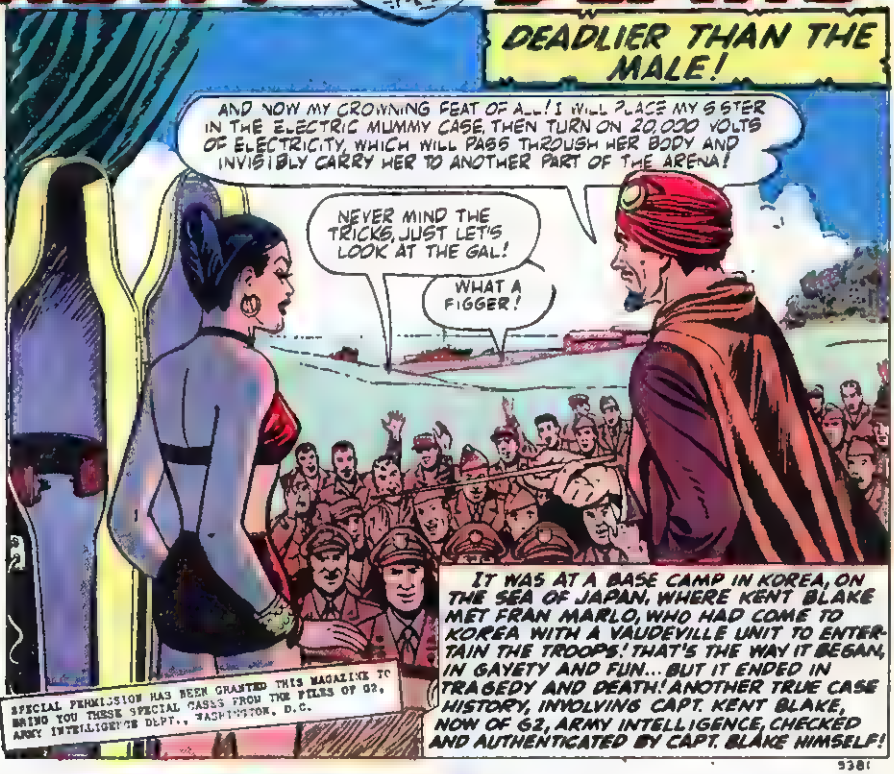
AND NOW MY CROWNING FEAT OF ALL! I WILL PLACE MY SISTER IN THE ELECTRIC MUMMY CASE, THEN TURN ON 20,000 VOLTS OF ELECTRICITY, WHICH WILL PASS THROUGH HER BODY AND INVISIBLY CARRY HER TO ANOTHER PART OF THE ARENA!
NEVER MIND THE TRICKS, JUST LET'S LOOK AT THE GAL!
WHAT A FIGGER!

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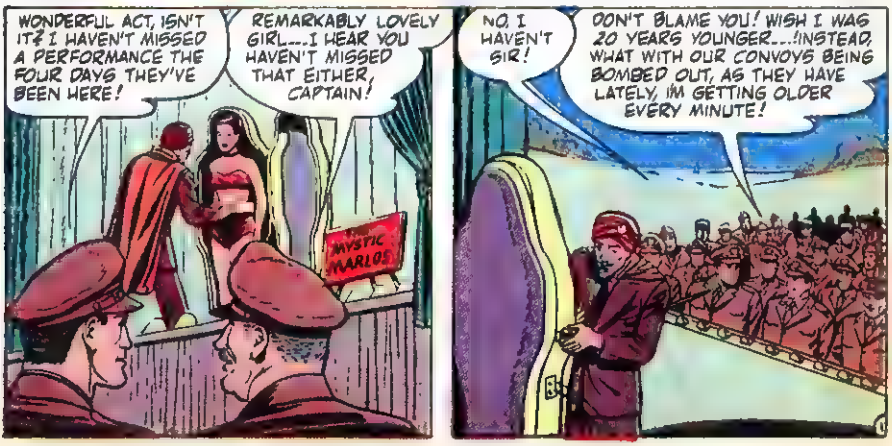
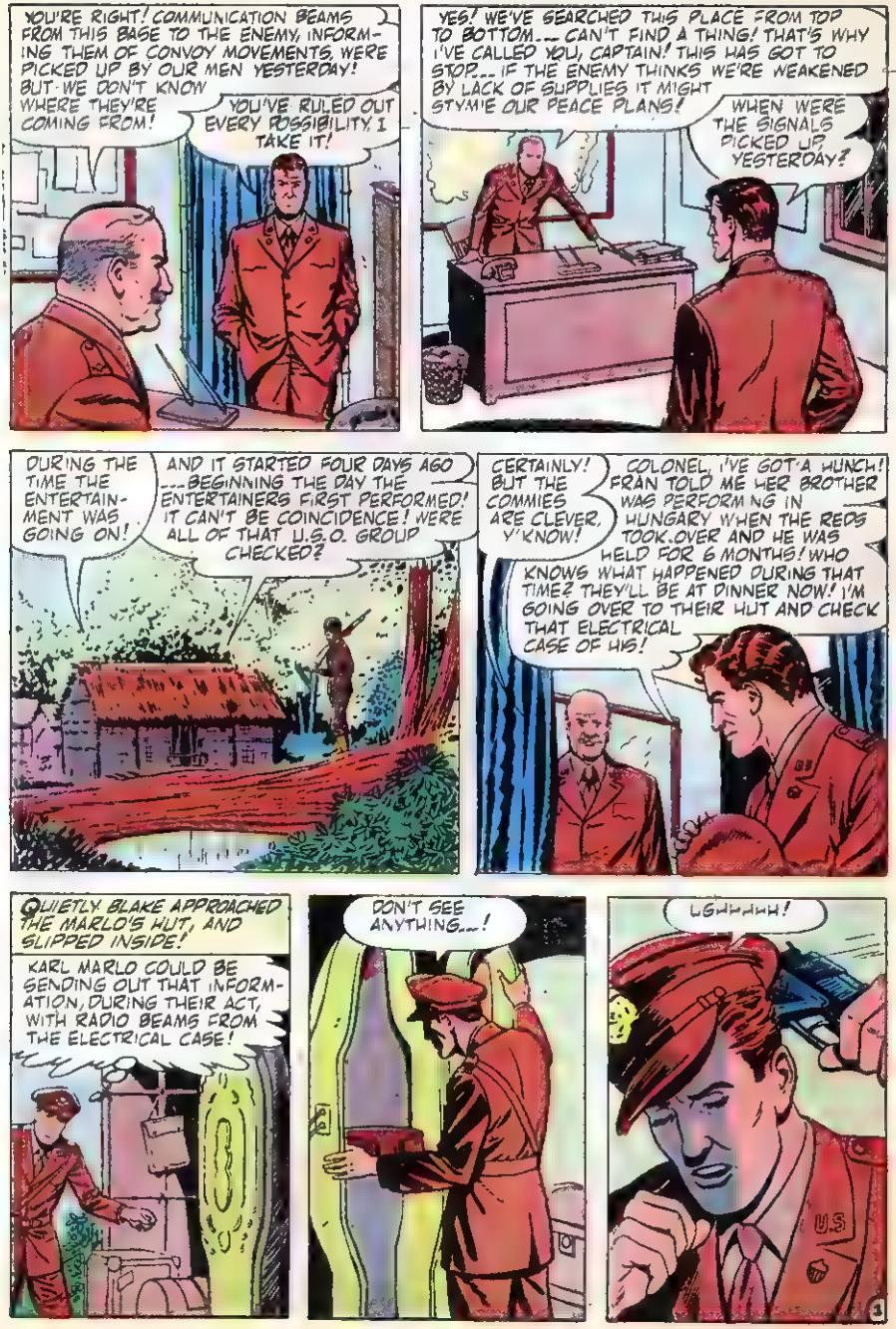
IT WAS AT A BASE CAMP IN KOREA, ON THE SEA OF JAPAN, WHERE KENT BLAKE MET FRAN MARLO, WHO HAD COME TO KOREA WITH A VAUDEVILLE UNIT TO ENTERTAIN THE TROOPS! THAT'S THE WAY IT BEGAN, IN GAYETY AND FUN... BUT IT ENDED IN TRAGEDY AND DEATH! ANOTHER TRUE CASE HISTORY, INVOLVING CAPT. KENT BLAKE, NOW OF G2, ARMY INTELLIGENCE, CHECKED AND AUTHENTICATED BY CAPT. BLAKE HIMSELF!


WONDERFUL ACT, ISN'T IT? I HAVEN'T MISSED A PERFORMANCE THE FOUR DAYS THEY'VE BEEN HERE!
REMARKABLY LOVELY GIRL....I HEAR YOU HAVEN'T MISSED THAT EITHER, CAPTAIN!
MYSTIC MARLO
NO, I HAVEN'T SIR!
DON'T BLAME YOU! WISH I WAS 20 YEARS YOUNGER....INSTEAD, WHAT WITH OUR CONVOYS BEING BOMBED OUT, AS THEY HAVE LATELY, I'M GETTING OLDER EVERY MINUTE!

20,000 VOLTS OF ELECTRICITY THROUGH THE BODY OF MY BEAUTIFUL ASSISTANT ...BUT SHE WILL NOT BE ELECTROCUTED! SHE WILL DISAPPEAR...!
HER BODY MADE INVISIBLE SHE TRAVELS AWAY ON THE ELECTRIC CURRENT!
I WAVE THE MAGICIAN'S WAND, AND...HERE SHE IS... FRAN MARLO, AS LOVELY AS EVER!
LATER, AFTER THE PERFORMANCE!
MORE SUPPLIES COMING IN!
AND I SUPPOSE THEY'LL MOVE OUT TOWARD THE FRONT LIKE THE ONES LAST NIGHT! BUT LET'S FORGET ABOUT THE WAR FOR NOW, KENT...LET'S JUST TALK ABOUT YOU AND ME, DARLING!
WHAT CAN BE SAID ABOUT YOU AND ME?
MANY THINGS! BUT, INSTEAD OF TALKING ...KISS ME, DARLING ...KISS ME!
ER...SORRY TO INTERRUPT, SIR, BUT THE COLONEL WANTS TO SEE YOU IMMEDIATELY!
YOU SHOULD BE SORRY, SOLDIER! I'LL SEE YOU LATER, FRAN!
HURRY BACK, DARLING, SO WE CAN CONTINUE OUR...TALK!
A FEW MINUTES LATER, IN THE COLONEL'S QUARTERS!
THAT CONVOY THAT WENT OFF LAST NIGHT WAS ATTACKED, SHELLED AND WIPED OUT! THE FOURTH IN FOUR DAYS, BLAKE! THE REDS KNOW OUR ROUTE EXACTLY!
THAT MEANS THERE'S A LEAK SOMEPLACE...HERE AT THE BASE, MOST LIKELY!


YOU'RE RIGHT! COMMUNICATION BEAMS FROM THIS BASE TO THE ENEMY, INFORMING THEM OF CONVOY MOVEMENTS, WERE PICKED UP BY OUR MEN YESTERDAY! BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY'RE COMING FROM!
YOU'VE RULED OUT EVERY POSSIBILITY, I TAKE IT!
YES! WE'VE SEARCHED THIS PLACE FROM TOP TO BOTTOM... CAN'T FIND A THING! THAT'S WHY I'VE CALLED YOU, CAPTAIN! THIS HAS GOT TO STOP... IF THE ENEMY THINKS WE'RE WEAKENED BY LACK OF SUPPLIES IT MIGHT STYMIE OUR PEACE PLANS!
WHEN WERE THE SIGNALS PICKED UP, YESTERDAY?
DURING THE TIME THE ENTERTAINMENT WAS GOING ON!
AND IT STARTED FOUR DAYS AGO ...BEGINNING THE DAY THE ENTERTAINERS FIRST PERFORMED! IT CAN'T BE COINCIDENCE! WERE ALL OF THAT U.S.O. GROUP CHECKED?
CERTAINLY! BUT THE COMMIES ARE CLEVER, Y'KNOW!
COLONEL, I'VE GOT A HUNCH! FRAN TOLD ME HER BROTHER WAS PERFORMING IN HUNGARY WHEN THE REDS TOOK OVER AND HE WAS HELD FOR 6 MONTHS! WHO KNOWS WHAT HAPPENED DURING THAT TIME? THEY'LL BE AT DINNER NOW! I'M GOING OVER TO THEIR HUT AND CHECK THAT ELECTRICAL CASE OF HIS!
QUIETLY BLAKE APPROACHED THE MARLO'S HUT, AND SLIPPED INSIDE!
KARL MARLO COULD BE SENDING OUT THAT INFORMATION, DURING THEIR ACT, WITH RADIO BEAMS FROM THE ELECTRICAL CASE!
DON'T SEE ANYTHING...!
UGHHHHH!
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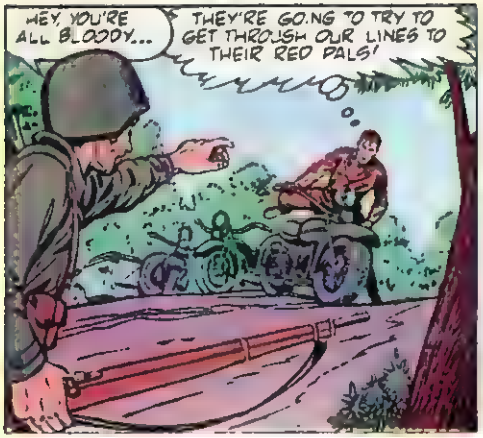
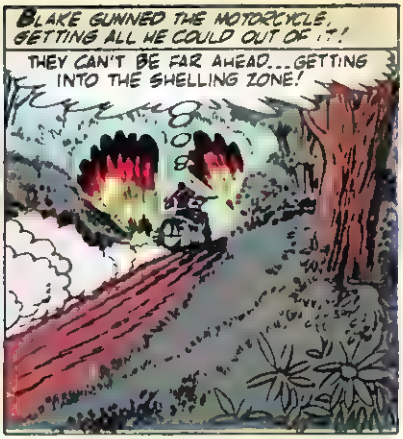
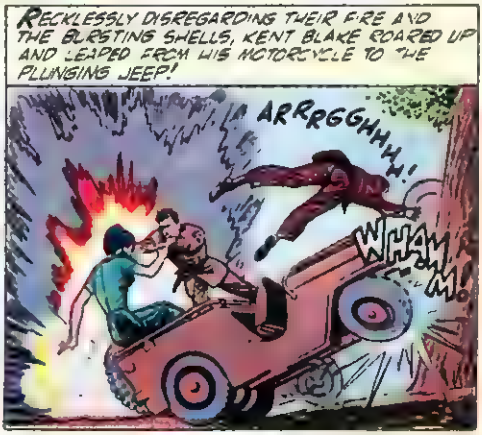
THE WORLD WHIRLED IN PAIN-WRACKED DARKNESS! THEN, AFTER A TIME, THE LIGHT CAME BACK AGAIN, AND BLAKE OPENED HIS EYES!
DARLING...WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE, LIKE THIS?
I CAME IN AND SOMEONE HIT ME OVER THE HEAD!
AH, YOU CAME TO FINISH OUR KISS, DARLING...!
NO, FRAN...I CAME BECAUSE I THINK YOUR BROTHER IS A COMMUNIST AGENT!
SO! I THOUGHT KARL WAS HASTY KNOCKING YOU OUT...I THOUGHT PERHAPS YOU CAME TO SEE ME! LISTEN, KARL IS ONLY MY ASSISTANT...I AM THE LEADER! I SEND OUT THE MESSAGES TO OUR COMRADES, WITH A CONDENSED RADIO SET CONCEALED IN THE BELT I WEAR IN THE ELECTRICAL ACT!
THANK YOU FOR THE INFORMATION, COMRADE!
IT WILL DO YOU NO GOOD, DARLING ...NOT NOW!
BANG!
BLAKE DROPPED TO THE FLOOR! THE WOUND WAS A SUPERFICIAL SCALP WOUND, BUT IT BLED PROFUSELY AND APPEARED FATAL! HE LAY STUNNED FOR A SHORT TIME!
SCALP WOUND...THANK HEAVENS! THOUGHT I WAS DONE FOR...AND NOBODY COULD HEAR THE SHOT WITH THAT SILENCER SHE HAD ON HER GUN! I'VE GOT TO GET THEM!
SOLDIER, DID YOU SEE THE MARLOS?
SURE DID! THEY CAME OUT A FEW MINUTES AGO, AN' I LET 'EM BORROW A JEEP... AGAINST REGULATIONS, BUT SHE SMILED...AN'... WELL, Y'KNOW HOW IT IS! THEY WERE JUST..JUST GOIN' TO RIDE AROUND THOSE TREES ...


HEY, YOU'RE ALL BLOODY...
THEY'RE GOING TO TRY TO GET THROUGH OUR LINES TO THEIR RED PALS!


BLAKE GUNNED THE MOTORCYCLE, GETTING ALL HE COULD OUT OF IT!
THEY CAN'T BE FAR AHEAD...GETTING INTO THE SHELLING ZONE!

IT'S HIM...HE'S NOT DEAD! DRIVE FASTER, KAR....!


RECKLESSLY DISREGARDING THEIR FIRE AND THE BURSTING SHELLS, KENT BLAKE ROARED UP AND LEAPED FROM HIS MOTORCYCLE TO THE PLUNGING JEEP!
ARRRGGHHH!
WHAM!

FORGIVE ME FOR BEING SO RECKLESSLY ARDENT BUT I COULDN'T WAIT.... DROP THE GUN.... DROP IT! THAT'S BETTER! NOW AS I WAS SAYING....I COULDN'T WAIT TO HOLD YOU IN MY ARMS AGAIN!
YOU....YOU..!

NOW WE CAN FINISH OUR KISS! AND I PROMISE TO VISIT YOU EVERY DAY IN JAIL UNTIL YOU'RE EXECUTED! BUT DON'T THINK IT HASN'T BEEN FUN, BECAUSE....IT HASN'T, COMRADE....DARLING!
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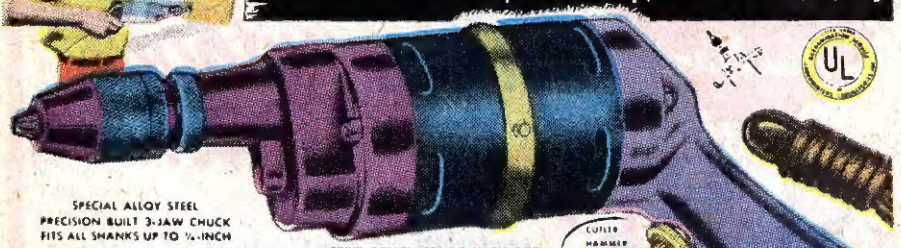
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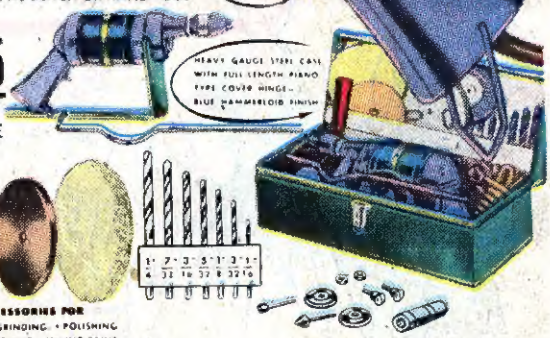

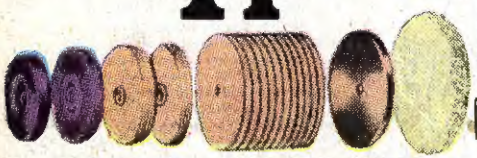

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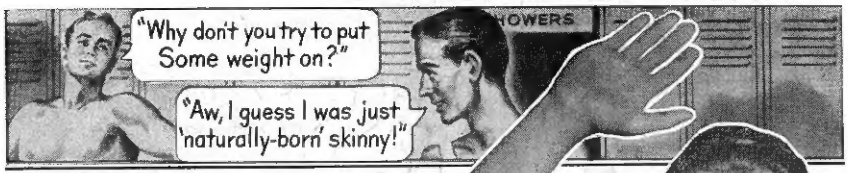

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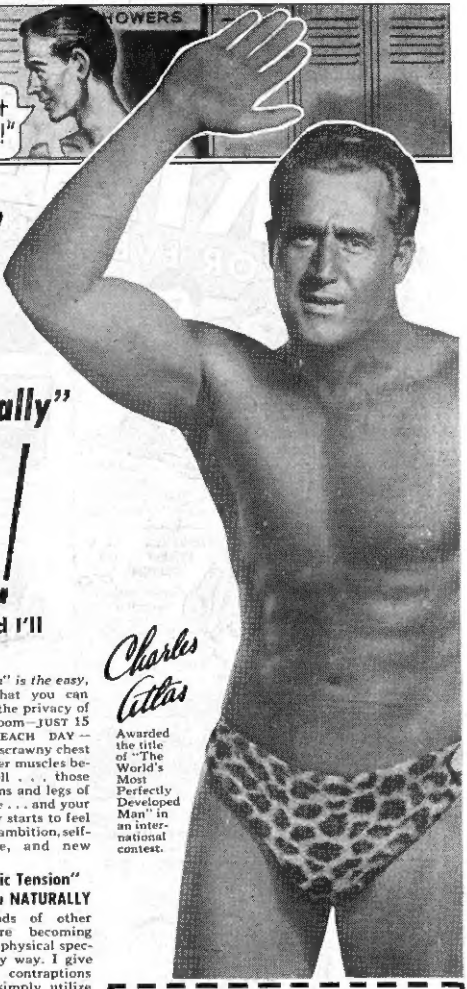

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